Our Lady of the Black Hills

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Liturgy and Prayer

Sunday Liturgy:
Saturday, 5:00 pm;
Sunday, 9:00 am & 6:00 pm

Daily Liturgy:
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 8:00 am

Eucharistic Adoration:
Wednesday, 8:30 am – 8:30 pm, with Reconciliation from 7:00 – 8:15 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:15 pm and Saturday, 3:30 – 4:30 pm

Bulletin Announcements

Please email any announcements to bulletin@olbh.org by noon on Tuesday for the following weekend bulletin.

Confirmation

Our parish will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation next weekend at the 6:00 PM Sunday Mass, November 6th. Bishop Gruss will confirm twenty two students, and Fr. Mark will concelebrate. I encourage you to attend this Mass in support of the young people receiving the sacrament.

Sometimes adults speak down about the youth. I suppose that kind of talk has happened in every age. However, my experiece of young people today is that they have such good qualities. A few years ago, I taught senior religion at STM and was the chaplain for the Catholic Schools. There were days when they tried my patience, but they were not much differnent than I was at that age. And so often I was amazed by their faith and honesty and goodness. That was a much more predominant experience.

Kids are so good. When you have ono-on-one conversations with them, their goodness shines through. Look at how many young people in out parish are involved with serving, singing, reading, and helping out in so many other ways.

In a few weeks I will go to the NCYC in Ohio with several teens from our parish. I hate riding in a bus for trips like that. But I look forward to spending time with the young people. I know that I will enjoy getting to know them.

Again, I encourage you to come next Sunday and join in the prayer as our teens are confirmed. They need our support. Please pray for the confirmands every day this week. You might use the following prayer which the Bishop will recite at their Confirmation.

All powerful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
by water and the Holy Spirit
you freed your sons and dughters from sin
and gave them new life.
Send your Holy Spirit upon them to be their helper and guide.
Give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of right judgment and courage,
the spirit of kinowledge and reverence.
Fill them with the spirit of wonder and awe in your presence.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Peace in Christ, Fr. Steve

Thanks to all who participated in naming the "Old Rectory."
The new name is ***St. Joseph's Hall.***

This Week at Our Lady of the Black Hills

October 31 - November 6, 2011

Monday, October 31

Readings: *Romans 11:29-36; Psalms 69:30-31, 33-34, 36-37; Luke 14:12-14 (green)*

8:00 am: Daily Liturgy

Mass Intention: For Our Veterans to feel God's love and forgiveness

Tuesday, November 1

Solemnity of All Saints

Readings: *Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14; Psalm 24:1-6; First John 3:1-3, Matthew 5:1-12 (white)*

8:00 am: All Saints Liturgy

Mass Intention: People of the parish

4:00 pm: Serve Dinner at the Cornerstone

4:30 pm: Praying the Bible

7:00 pm: All Saints Liturgy

Mass Intention: Confirmands

7:00 pm: Boy Scouts Meeting

Wednesday, November 2

Solemnity of the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

Readings: *Wisdom 3:1-9; Psalms 23:1-6; Romans 6:3-9; John 14:7-6 (white)*

8:00 am: All Souls Liturgy

Mass Intention: Mass for Life

8:30 am – 8:30 pm: Eucharistic Adoration

9:00 am – Noon: Food Pantry

7:00 – 8:15 pm: Reconciliation

Thursday, November 3

Readings: *Romans 14:7-12; Psalms 27:1-4, 13-14; Luke 15:1-10 (green)*

8:00 am: Daily Liturgy

Mass Intention: For the repose of Val & Christine Keller

9:00 – 3:00 pm: Home School Group

10:00 am: Staff Meeting

7:00 pm: Knights of Columbus Meeting

Friday, November 4

Memorial of Saint Charles Barromeo, bishop

Readings: *Romans15:14-21; Psalms 98:1-4; Luke 16:1-8 (white)*

Saturday Morning, November 5

Readings: *Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Psalms 145:2-5, 10-11; Luke 16:9-15 (green)*

9:00 am: Noon: Food Pantry

3:30 – 4:30 pm: Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday Evening, November 5

The Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: *Wisdom 6:12-16; Psalms 63:2-8; First Thessalonians 4:13-17; Matthew 25:1-13 (green)*

5:00 pm: Sunday Vigil Liturgy

Mass Intention: For Bishop Cupich and the Diocese of Spokane, WA

Sunday, November 6

The Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: *Wisdom 6:12-16; Psalms 63:2-8; First Thessalonians 4:13-17; Matthew 25:1-13 (green)*

9:00 am: Sunday Morning Liturgy

Mass Intention: For the OLBH Community

10:30 am: Fall Festival

10:30 am: RCIA

6:00 pm: Sunday Evening Liturgy - Confirmation

Mass Intention: Confirmands

We Need Advertisers!

OLBH is looking for businesses to advertise on the back page of our bulletin. We'd like to fill the back page. If you own a business or know someone we should contact, please contact Betsy in the parish office, 787-5168.

OLBH Parish News

NCYC Bake Sale

Thank you for your generosity with our Bake Sale! The NCYC youth earned $462.00. This money will help to alleviate their food expenses.

Catechumens & Candidates

This Sunday, October 30, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass, we will have the *Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens.* **"Catechumen"** is the term for a person preparing for baptism. This year we have one adult in RCIA and three children in the RCIC who are catechumens. Also, we will celebrate the *Rite of Welcoming the Candidates."* **"Candidates"** are adults in RCIA who are already baptized as Roman Catholics or as members of another Christian community but did not receive Confirmation or Eucharist. All of these people will receive the sacraments at the Easter vigil.

In this ritual, the candidates or catechumens declare their intention to share in the life of the Church, study his teachings, and imitate Christ. And our faith community promises to help them follow Christ by our example and prayer. Please pray for the following people:

Candidates:	***Catechumens:***
Joe Bucholz	Kami Wagner
Madonna Bucholz	Richard Harmon
Shary Haag	Abigail Harmon
LaChel McCollar	Zoey Snyder
Susan Silbernagel	

Gatherings of Grace is back!

Our first sessions of the 2011-2012 year begin on Sunday, November **13 after the 9:00** am Mass and repeats on **Wednesday, November 16 at 6:00 p**m. Gatherings of Grace is an all-ages faith formation program on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 10:15 am & following Wednesday at 6:00 pm. Childcare for ages 5 & under provided during the Sunday gatherings. Dinner is served at Wednesday gatherings. Our theme for the 2011-2012 gatherings is "Our Call to Worship-Praying, Believing and Living the Law of Christ." We hope you will join us!

Christmas Tea

Come to our 2011 Christmas Tea Party at OLBH Church in the basement on Saturday, December 3rd from 2:00 – 4:00 pm, seating at 1:30 pm. Admission is $8.00 per person. Reserve your seats early; this event is limited to the first 30 ladies.

You are the Light of the World... Let your Light Shine

On November 13th we will all be asked to make our pledge of support for our diocese through the Annual Diocesan Appeal. You will be receiving information about the appeal over the next few weeks. Please keep in mind all of the ministries of our diocese that depend upon this appeal in order to continue meeting the needs of our diocese. Some of those ministries are Catholic Social Services, Family Life, Seminarian and Priest Education, Ministry Formation, *West River Catholic*, Religious Education, Marriage Tribunal, Youth Ministry, Native Concerns, Faith Formation, Office of the Bishop, the retirement and care for our elderly priests, Newman Centers on our college campuses and many others. Your Pledge of financial support for our diocese and those ministries is very important and very much appreciated.

Community News

Christmas Cantata

Piedmont Valley Christmas Cantata rehearsals begin 2 PM Sunday, Nov. 6 at Grace United Methodist Church, Piedmont. This is a combined choir. All are welcome! There will be five rehearsals on Sunday afternoons. The performance will be Dec. 11. Proceeds from the concert will benefit the Piedmont Valley food pantry. For info, contact Jane Abernathy (716-0286) or Pastor Howie Baird (787-4858).

Rapid City Diocese News

1st Friday Mass and Lunch with Bishop

Bishop Gruss will celebrate First Friday Mass on November 4 at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Mass will begin at 11:15 a.m. Lunch will be served in the church hall at noon. Bishop Gruss will present a talk after lunch. The charge for lunch is $6. Proceeds benefit Rapid City Catholic Schools. All are welcome.

Winefest 2011

An evening to benefit the Rapid City Catholic School System. Presented by Carpenter Dental, SHE 106.3 & KOTA 1380. November 4th, 6:30 – 9:30 at The Dahl Arts Center, 713 7th St. Join us to sample over 40 wines, appetizers from local restaurants, acoustic entertainment, and a silent auction. Tickets are $40 per person and may be reserved by calling 343-8484 or email winefest@rccss.net

Marriage Encounter

Marriage Encounter Weekend, November 4-6, 2011 at the Holiday Inn Convention Center in Spearfish, South Dakota. Space is limited. For more information or to register, please contact Curt & Rochelle Lauret at 605-362-9145 or visit www.WWME.org.

Marriage Matters Workshop

Marriage Matters, a 6-hour Workshop on developing communications skills for a strong and loving Christian Marriage, will be presented on November 5, 2011 at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in Rapid City. The Workshop is for newlyweds, as well as, the long-married and will focus on developing communication and conflict resolution skills that can make a difference between a difficult marriage and a loving partnership. The **non-denominational** Workshop is sponsored by Catholic Social Services and runs from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm. Lunch is provided. The cost is $50 per couple. Pre-registration is required. Contact Catholic Social Services at 605-348- 6086 or toll free at 1-800-727-2401 or email at css@rapidnet.com.

IHM SEMINARY VISIT

On November 11-14, the Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary in Winona, MN, and the Office of Vocations will host a Live-In Weekend for young men who are juniors/seniors in high school and college-age students who are interested in knowing more about the seminary life. The Live-In schedule will include a tour of the campus, discussions, meals and prayer with the college seminarians, plus attendance at classes and time for recreation. There is No Charge for the weekend. We will leave on Friday, November 11, and return on Monday, November 14. For further information, please contact Fr. Kevin Achbach, Director of Vocations at (605) 849-2664 or Godscall@diorc.org. Registration forms available at www.Gods-call.org.

Tour Terra Sancta Construction Project

Fr. Steve Biegler will lead a tour of the construction project at Terra Sancta on Saturday, November 12. The tour, which is limited to 20 people, will begin at 1 p.m. at the chapel entrance. Reservations for the tour should be made by Wednesday, November 9. To make a reservation, please call Teresa Spiess at the chancery at 343.3541.

National Pastoral Musicians Fall Meeting and Banquet

Saturday, November 19, at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Rapid City. Sign-in begins at 9:30 a.m. Mass, presentation by Fr. Nathan Sparks titled "Voicing the Word: A History of Gregorian Chant in the Sacred Liturgy", St. Cecilia Banquet and awards. The day will conclude with mid-day prayer at 1:00 p.m. Pre-register by November 14. Send your name, address, phone number, email address, parish name, and a $15 non-refundable check to: Julie Gray, PO Box 239, Hill City, SD 57745. To nominate someone for the St. Cecilia Award or the Peggy Langenfeld Memorial Award or to recognize someone for 25, 40, or 50+ years of service to the ministry of music, contact Katie Simonyak at 342-0507 or katie@cathedralolph.org. Nominations accepted until November 1.

Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule

November 5th & 6th, 2011

	Saturday 5:00 pm	Sunday 9:00 am	Sunday 6:00 pm
Bread Baker	Irene Daschel		
Altar Servers	Rileigh Kronmiller* Tyler Trautman Dawson Rhodes	Jessie Gray* Andrew Corbine Savannah Inman	Matt Van Asma* Joe Schulte Chris Van Asma Paige Gehlsen
Precious Body **Precious Blood**	**Walt Wilson** Hannah Ehresmann Joe Deaver Jacqui Blaha Diane Clarke	**Walt Wilson** Brenda Jacobs Judy Nelson Dennis Fischer Lorinda Collings	**Jim McCormick** Michelle Bucholz Tom Van Asma Betsy Van Asma Denise McCormick
Lectors	Mike Davies Joni Osnes	Mary Coffin Donna Boner	Jay Hammerquist Antoine Bedard
Sacristans	Joe Schacher Linda Schacher	Barb Erickson Gary Erickson	Brad Blauvelt Mary Blauvelt Matthew Blauvelt
Ushers	Ken Wentz Becky Wentz	Frank Boner Marc Jacobs	Aaron Denekamp Aaron Thies
Choir	OLBH Family Choir	Regina's Minstrels	The Covenant Band

Intercessory Prayers

Life and Health Concerns

Tom Collings
David Gingras – Reggie's son and Theresa Pearson's brother
Laurie Miller – Betsy Van Asma's sister
Mary Ann Pulaski
Kara Schroeder
Jerry Silbernagel
Susan Stokes
Blanche Rieth – Lorraine Ptacek's mother

Repose of the Soul

Fr. Brian Fawcett

The Collection Basket

October 22 & 23, 2011

Loose	$ 2073.00
Envelopes	1469.50
Votive	5.00
Youth Formation	96.50
Adopt a Seminarian	50.00
NCYC	126.00
Other	145.00
Total	$ 3964.50

The sole meaning of life is to serve humanity.

~ Leo Tolstoy

For the Ride Home

~ By Ted Bergh

Scripture

- Has not the one God created us? (Malachi 2:10)
- I busy not myself with great things, nor with things too sublime for me. (Psalm 131:1b)
- We were determined to share with you not only the gospel of God, but our very selves as well, (1 Thessalonians 2:8)
- The greatest among you must be your servant. (Matthew 23:11)

Reflection

- In what ways does technology serve you? In what ways do you serve technology?
- What demands does popular culture make that cause you to serve (spend time and money) the culture?
- When have you served and loved an individual you did not like?
- Are you more effective at serving through grandiose actions or small acts of kindness?
- Do you share the gospel through serving others?

His soul melted at the sight of the poor and the infirm, and to those to whom he could not extend a helping hand he extended his affection. (St. Bonaventure, *The Life of St Francis*)[1]

[1]Simsic, Wayne, *Living the Wisdom of St. Francis*, Paulist Press, Mahwah, NJ, 2001, p. 44.

Diocesan Social Justice Commission

"Do I give special attention to the needs of the poor and vulnerable in my community and in the world? Am I disproportionately concerned for my own good at the expense of others? Do I engage in service *and* advocacy work that protects the dignity of poor and vulnerable persons?"

Examination of Conscience in Light of Catholic Social Teaching www.usccb.org

"Developing Personal and Academic Excellence in the Catholic Tradition"

Rapid City Catholic School System

BOARD NEWS

August 2011 Meeting Summary

- Report of a recent donation to RCCSS for tuition assistance, teacher benefits, and most urgent needs of RCCSS
- Updated financials included, *SM Properties LLC, Statement of Activities, TS Income and Expense Update, WWBF Appeal Update, Western SD Catholic Foundation Update, and 2011-12 Budget Variances*
- Skylights at St. Elizabeth Seton have been successfully replaced
- Terra Sancta Transition committee will be creating a parent survey to gain information about transitional challenges
- STM Middle School to receive a side altar from Terra Sancta for new chapel
- Discussion regarding formation of Activities Budget Task Force

FAST FACTS

2011 ACT score: 25.2, 4.1 points above the state average

2011 Graduating class was offered over $4 million in scholarships

90% of seniors graduate from STM

90% of graduates attend a 4 year institute of higher learning

"Every Catholic educational institution is a place to encounter the living God who is Jesus Christ" – Pope Benedict XVI

Reflection Questions for Next Week

True leadership is based on conversion.

Children: How can you make the light of Christ shine through your life?

Youth: What does it mean to humble yourself?

Adults: Do you practice what you preach?